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Black Velvet Collar and Cuffs, one of the naggiest, jauntiest garments for girls between 6 and 14 years old that we know of.

HOLD PRIMARY EARLY IN JUNE

Candidates and Voters Wish to
Dispose of Fight for
Legislature.

ONE MONTH FOR POLL TAXES

Must Be Paid by May 5th—Cam-
paign Is Growing in
Interest.

Legislative honors are already in great demand in Richmond, and the campaign is yet in its incipency.
Candidates and their friends are working early and late, and in the parlance of the day, they are "over-looking no bits" in their efforts to secure votes. One meets kind words and pleasant smiles at almost every street corner in the business section, and announcement cards are handed him many times in the course of a day.

There is a great deal of talk concerning a proper and convenient date for the primary, and as well a widespread disposition to get it out of the way as early as may be found practicable.

Of course it will not be held until after the fullest opportunity has been afforded for the payment of poll taxes. The general election will occur on November 5th, and in order to vote in the Richmond primary one must have qualified himself to vote in the ensuing general election. The Constitution requires that in order to vote in any general election the poll-tax for the next preceding year must have been paid six months prior to such election. This gives the voters until May 5th in which to pay their 1906 taxes. Then time must be had for making up the lists, so that they may be available for the primary election officers. The legislative primary in Richmond cannot, therefore, be held until the latter part of May or early in June.

Primary in June.

It is believed that an early date in June will be chosen, and will be satisfactory to all parties concerned. Meanwhile, voters are urged by the candidates and public officials to pay their taxes, so that there may be the broadest expression of the popular will at the polls.

The candidates are getting active so early and there will be so many of them in the race that a large vote is promised. Up to this time, the greatest activity prevails with reference to the Senate, though some of the House aspirants are beginning to "sit up and take notice."

There has been no public speaking up to this time, but the oratorical stage is coming on rapidly, and will probably be inaugurated at the next meeting of the Clay Ward Active, which will be held on Saturday night, April 13th.

President E. W. Miner said last night that no formal invitation had been issued to the candidates, but that if any attended they would be welcome. They will also be allowed to speak if they so desire. Some of them will be there, and those present will probably speak.

Many Already Out.

There are already a number of moved candidates in the field for both branches of the Legislature, and others are expected to enter. Here is the list to date:

For Senate—A. C. Harman, E. C. Folkes, John B. Minor, A. Beirne Blair, Dr. George B. Steel, J. Stanley Reynolds.

For House—Harry C. Glenn, Eugene C. Massey, E. P. Cox, Orway Fuller, E. F. Peyton, Jr., John A. Clarke, Robert N. Pollard, John J. Blair.

The House candidates are not nearly so active as those who aspire to seats in the Senate, but they are doing a good deal of preliminary work.

Messrs. Folkes, Minor, Blair and Harman are all hard at it, and they appear to be making good headway. Mr. Minor was the last of these gentlemen to enter, but he has lost no time since he finally determined to run. He declares that he has been greatly encouraged at the assurances of support that have come to him from various sections of the city.

Has Strong Support.

A great many strong men are at work for him, and in political circles yesterday the impression was that he was rapidly developing into a very formidable competitor for one of the seats in the upper branch.

Mr. Blair is one of the hardest workers in the senatorial race, and he was the first to begin an active canvass. He and Messrs. Harman and Folkes are old-time campaigners, and they and Mr. Minor are regarded as strong men and leading factors in the race.

It is the popular belief at the present time that the campaign should be materially aided by the fact that unless help or hurt one of them, they will be found finishing with no great distance between them. The Clay Ward Active on April 13th promises to be largely attended.

HENRICO JAIL IS ACCEPTED

Formally Turned Over to Super-
visors of County Yesterday
Afternoon.

CITY WILL PAY PORTION

Powers of Magistrates Defined by
Judge Scott—Alleged De-
serters Arrested.

The Henrico county jail was formally turned over to the supervisors yesterday afternoon, and was accepted by them. When the contractors who erected the building have been paid, which will be to-day probably, the city of Richmond will have to foot a portion of the cost.

The jail cost about \$50,000. The contract was made before the recent annexation, and in taking in a portion of the county the city assumed a part of the indebtedness of the county. This indebtedness, so far as the cost of the new jail is concerned, amounts to \$17,000. The city has understood this all the time and the amount will be paid.

Powers of Magistrate.

It was settled in the Henrico Circuit Court yesterday that a magistrate has jurisdiction in trying misdemeanor cases. The opinion was handed down by Judge Scott in the appeal case of the county against Edward White, colored. He was fined \$5, and an appeal was taken. In his opinion Judge Scott says that a magistrate has perfect authority to try such cases. The point at issue was as to the right of a magistrate in one district to hear a case in another district. This decision settles this matter, although Judge Scott intimated that had the case got to him before the final he might have directed a magistrate in the proper district to hear the evidence and conduct the trial.

Rather Die Than Marry?

The case of General Cole will be heard in the Henrico court this morning. Cole is a negro charged with criminally assaulting a colored woman. He is alleged to have threatened and attempted to kill himself rather than marry the woman in question. He was bailed for his appearance to-day.

Two Deserters Arrested.

Two alleged deserters from the marine barracks in Washington, named W. M. Holiday and Ned Day, were arrested yesterday morning by Detective Duke, of the Chesapeake and Ohio. They were taken in charge in the woods shortly out of the city, and are in the act of changing their army uniforms for citizens' dress. The authorities at Washington have been notified, and the men will be held.

ACTIVE CAMPAIGN.

National Freight Service Association to Enlarge Membership.

The National Freight Service Association, which was recently organized here for the purpose of securing better transportation conditions, is working for a large membership.

The officers have issued a letter setting forth its objects, in which this language is used: "The organization begins its wide canvass for an enlarged enrollment within the next few days. Its whole object is reform. It will tend to bring together to the front the whole commercial community of the country. Some of our best citizens have accepted the responsibility of directing the association's affairs, and will send invitations to the members of our prominent firms to join the organization, and they trust to be able to report to the membership at a meeting held at the city of Richmond on March 7th in giving practical control of this most important movement to Richmond and Richmond men, has not been misplaced."

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Presbyterian Sunday-School Association Holds Meeting.

A meeting of the Presbyterian Sunday-School Association of the city was held yesterday afternoon at the city hall, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. The officers for the coming year were chosen as follows: President, Mr. A. B. Holderby, Jr.; Vice-Presidents, E. H. Chalkley, Secretary, Mr. Holladay; Treasurer, Mr. W. R. Miller.

Get Sunday Holiday.

The Chief Shaw has inaugurated a scheme of Sunday leave for stationmen as a result of which two men from each station will get paid half a day's pay on Sunday. Thus at least two men from each station may go to church or spend the time with their families. The innovation is proving popular with the men.

FEW WATCHES AND CLOCKS IN CITY

Also Only 439 Pianos Here, Ac-
cording to Report of Auditor
of Public Accounts.

SOME CURIOUS FIGURES

Personal Property in Lynchburg
Ten Times as Valuable as That
in Newport News.

The report of the Auditor of Public Accounts shows some curious comparisons of various forms of personal property listed for taxation in the various cities of the State, and some inexplicable variations in the value of the same article.

Take watches, for instance. The taxpayers of Richmond, all of whom combined return for taxation only 311 watches of the aggregate value of \$25,125, or an average of only \$80.75 each. Danville reports 2,691 watches of an aggregate value of only \$34,020, or an average of only \$12.64 each. Norfolk returns 1,676 watches of the value of \$38,010, or an average of about \$22.60. Danville reports 1,644 watches, but their value is only \$17,957, or a little over \$10 per watch. Thus Richmond men wear the cheapest watches and the other will run in the district.

When it comes to clocks, Roanoke leads the list, with Danville close behind, indicating possibly that the residents of these cities take note of time more than those of other cities. Roanoke has 2,176 clocks, but they are pretty cheap affairs, averaging only about \$1.50 in value. Danville has 1,308 clocks, worth \$4,908, or about \$3.75 each. Richmond reports only 369 clocks—think of it—but they are worth an average of over \$13. Norfolk has only 274 clocks, but they are worth about \$13.33 on the average.

Roanoke leads the State in sewing machines, returning for taxation a total of 2,885, of the value of \$26,551, or less than \$10 each. Danville comes next, with 1,646, worth \$18,585, or more than \$11 each. Richmond has only 405 machines, worth in all \$5,450, or about \$13.50 each. The figures suggest that the sewing machine agencies are not hustling much in Richmond, or that the owners are too busy sewing to list their machines for taxation.

Richmonders either buy cheaper books or fewer of them than Norfolk, for their value is only \$50,100, compared with \$56,380 for a little town like Norfolk. For instance, Lynchburg comes third in the value of books, with a total of \$44,504, or more money expended for books per capita than either Richmond or Norfolk by a large figure. The value of Roanoke books is less than \$15,000, and Buena Vista's whole supply is worth only \$230.

Not Much Music, Either.

Richmond returns for taxation only 439 pianos, averaging less than \$90 in value. Roanoke, for some unaccountable reason, leads in pianos, with an average of only \$97 in value. In this connection, it is interesting to note that the values of personal property of all kinds owned by residents of the various cities shows some curious discrepancies.

For instance, Newport News, though credited with over 25,000 population, is assessed with only \$52,565, all told, while Lynchburg, which claims less population, pays taxes on \$6,098,181. For that matter, Norfolk, which is also somewhat of a claimer in the line of population, pays taxes on less than \$400,000 worth of property, or \$5,486,550. The personal property owned by Lynchburgers almost equals that of Norfolk and Newport News combined with their population four times as great. Roanoke, Alexandria, Staunton, Charlottesville, and Danville all pay taxes on more personal property than the city of Newport News. Richmond, of course, tops them all, with an aggregate value of personality of \$21,068,157.

Real Estate.

When it comes to real estate valuation, the seaport cities are in their element, the theory being that water being so abundant, land is higher than elsewhere, perhaps. Richmond, of course, comes first, with \$48,456,514; Norfolk is second, with \$32,923,350; Newport News third, with \$8,845,210; Lynchburg fourth, with \$8,821,005; and Roanoke fifth, with \$2,375,678. The property rank in the following order: Portsmouth, sixth; Danville, seventh; Portsmouth, eighth; Alexandria, ninth; Staunton, tenth; Manchester, eleventh; Bristol, twelfth; and Charlottesville, thirteenth.

IMPROVING BUILDING.

Work of Rehabilitating State Library Is Being Pushed.

The work of rehabilitating the State Library is being steadily pushed, and already a great improvement has been wrought in the appearance of the building, which was beginning to look rather shabby. Besides the repainting the walls and ceiling, the oak finishings are being varnished, cornices and moldings retouched, and minor repairs made. The work will make the building appear to advantage to the many visitors expected in the city during the year.

HOTEL CASE AGAIN.

Will Be Called for Trial Monday
in Hustings Court.

In the Hustings Court Monday the case of Mrs. A. D. Atkinson, proprietor of the Hotel Richmond, charged with violating the law requiring fire-escapes on buildings, will be called for trial. This case has been heard by the commissioners, the Police Court or the Hustings Court for nearly four years.

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CLEAR BRAIN**
come from eating

Grape-Nuts
FOOD

which is made of selected parts of wheat and barley scientifically made.
"There's a Reason"

Mrs. Atkinson claims that the fire-escape is unnecessary, as the building is fireproof, but expressed a willingness to put a fire-escape on the rear of the building. The fire commission, however, held that the fire-escape was necessary on the Grace Street front of the building. The statute under which proceeding is to be had makes no exception in favor of fireproof buildings.

ROANOKE PRIMARY.

First Legislative Fight in State in
Magic City Saturday.

The first legislative primary in the State will take place in the city of Roanoke on Saturday, when a candidate for the House of Delegates will be nominated, and the contest for Senator between Hon. R. Coleman and Mr. John Hart determined.

The greatest amount of interest centers around the senatorship, and both the candidates have a strong support. The district is composed of Roanoke city and county and Montgomery, and Judge A. A. Pilegar, the incumbent, is not running against either of the candidates. However, the Roanoke assembly shall be defeated will be eliminated, and the other will run in the district, with the solid vote of Roanoke behind him. While the fight between Coleman and Hart has developed no bitterness, yet it has been a spirited contest, and nearly every Democrat in the city has joined the forces of one candidate or the other.

GOES TO REFORMATORY.

Was Given Chance to Do Better,
But Only Grew Worse.

David McCandlish has at last landed in the Reformatory, and he is a warning to all other boys. The lad is only sixteen, but he has been doing questionable things for several years. He has stayed away from school, and has walked the streets by night, and the result has been that he has been arrested. Thursday morning he was arrested on the specific charge of taking a lady's satchel from the State Library reading-room. He confessed, and in his confession told of various other robberies he had committed. Little over a year ago the boy was in trouble, and he was given a chance. Again he went the wrong way, and again he was given a chance. But his bad associates and his unbecoming hours led him to the doors of the Reformatory, and in the Police Court yesterday the doors were opened.

CLEANING UP HOUSE.

Exposition Crowds Will Find
Parks in Good Condition.

The City Engineer's department is now engaged in improving the parks, repainting and repairing generally. It is also widening the granite walk at William Byrd Park, near the entrance to the park. This walk is now twenty-two feet wide, and it will be widened to thirty-six feet. Many other odds and ends of work will be taken up and the parks and buildings of the city put in the most attractive condition possible for the exposition crowds.

CHILD BURNS TO DEATH.

Little Girl Was Helping Mother
Burn Brush in Garden.

LURAY, VA., April 6.—(Notice.) The seven-year-old daughter of William A. Kline of Luray, was horribly burned yesterday while assisting her mother in cleaning up the garden. The burns were on her face, neck, arms, and hands. She was taken to the hospital, but died this morning. The child's father is a well-known farmer, and the family is well-to-do. The mother is a widow, and the child was her only child.

WEDS RICHMOND GIRL.

Young Minnesota Teacher Comes
Here to Be Married.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Mr. G. Martin Schmidt, a teacher residing in Minnesota, and Miss Dora I. Kraus, a daughter of Mr. Edward Kraus, of this city. The nuptials are to be celebrated next Monday. The bridegroom-elect is but twenty-one years old, and the bride-elect is twenty-two.

Personals and Briefs.

Rev. M. S. Coleman, the pastor, will preach at Park Place M. E. Church Sunday morning. Rev. T. P. Wilson, presiding elder, will preach at night. Registered at the Lexington are C. R. Ryan, Keyville; T. J. Stephenson, Emory.

The usual service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church by Rev. F. T. McFadden to-morrow morning, but there will be no night services on account of the annual services of the Huguenot Extension Society, on petition of the Newport News Company. The petition was filed by R. G. Bickford and Batchelor & Phillips, counsel for the applicant.

Meet in Norfolk.

The third annual session of the grand chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star of the State of Virginia will be held in the Masonic Temple in Norfolk on May 1st.

Mrs. Mary E. Nesbitt is worthy grand matron; John M. Newton, worthy grand patron; and Charles A. Nesbitt, grand secretary.

Society Chartered.

The State Corporation Commission yesterday issued a charter to the Kappa Alpha Order, Local Chapter No. 1, of Richmond. The charter was issued to the Kappa Alpha Order, Local Chapter No. 1, of Richmond, and the charter was issued to the Kappa Alpha Order, Local Chapter No. 1, of Richmond.

PRESIDENT UNABLE

TO ATTEND OPENING
Has Planned Out Every Hour of
Time and Cannot Make An-
other Engagement.

Governor Swann has received a letter from President Roosevelt, saying he will not be able to attend the opening of the State of Virginia building at Jamestown. The letter reads: "Washington, April 4, 1907. 'My Dear Governor, I have just received your exceedingly kind letter containing the very kind invitation to Mrs. Roosevelt and myself. I wish we could accept, but we have planned out literally every hour of our time, and I simply do not make another engagement. You see, we can be there but a little while, and then we must go back to our homes. I shall have much work to catch up with. With very truly yours, 'Sincerely yours, 'THEODORE ROOSEVELT.'"

"Hon. Claude A. Swann, Governor of Virginia, Richmond, Va."

GREAT PARADES WILL BE FEATURE

Notable Demonstrations of Un-
veiling of Davis and Stuart
Monuments Here.

CHIEF MARSHALS CHOSEN

Colonel Gordon Invited to Act on
May 30th and General Bolling
on June 3d.

Colonel John W. Gordon, general chairman of the Confederate Reunion, has been asked both by the members of the Veteran Cavalry Association and by the ladies of the Hollywood Memorial Association to act as the chief marshal of the parade which will take place on the occasion of the unveiling of the Stuart monument, May 30th. As yet he has reached no decision as to whether or not he will accept the position, though he can but be sensible of the honor conferred upon him and the evident desire of all to have him serve in the capacity mentioned.

Unite With Veterans.

This year, in view of the reunion, the ladies of the Hollywood Memorial Association will join hands with the veterans; that is to say, the magnificent procession which will constitute a feature of the Stuart monument unveiling will also take part in the exercises at the cemetery. After the veil has been drawn from the bronze cavalier and the oration incident to the occasion delivered by Judge Theodore S. Garnett, of Norfolk, the parade will move on to Hollywood, where the usual custom of decking the graves of the soldier dead will be observed.

Salvation Army Program.

At 3:30 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, weather permitting, a large open-air meeting will be held at the Reservoir Park. Mrs. Rivers and several other comrades will speak and sing. At 8 o'clock in the hall the Easter prayer meeting and another enrollment of soldiers will take place. The ranks are rapidly increasing. Several good songs will be sung, and all the soldiers will be given a talk on "The Soldier's Duty." This will be a most interesting meeting, as many young converts will take part.

Placed Under Bond.

Walter Knott and John Trent, two negroes, were placed under heavy bonds by Justice Crutchfield yesterday morning on the charge of taking a large quantity of brass fittings and hose connections belonging to the Tredegar Iron Works and the Locomotive Works. Sergeant Wilshire, in working up the case, learned that the Trent boy was mainly responsible for the theft, and that the other negro simply lived with him.

United States District Court.

In the United States District Court, Claude W. Mason, of New York, and granger, was convicted of permitting N. B. Wilson, a distiller, to take liquor out of his warehouse of his distillery un-stamped. Motion to set aside verdict continued. James H. Braxton (colored) was acquitted of the charge of lending money on pension certificate. Henry Smart and James Kelson, convicted of mutiny on the high seas, and given six months each in jail.

Transferring State Bonds.

The State Treasurer's office was busy yesterday transferring State bonds. During the day the amount of bonds transferred was about \$60,000, and business is still active. These transfers are usually numerous just before the semi-annual interest period.

APPEAL GRANTED IN NEWPORT NEWS CASE

Another Step in Fight Between
Two Rival Public Service
Corporations.

In the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia yesterday Judge James Keith granted an appeal from the order of the State Corporation Commission entered on March 22d, in the case of the Newport News Light and Water Company vs. the Peninsula Pure Water Company, on petition of the Newport News Company. The petition was filed by R. G. Bickford and Batchelor & Phillips, counsel for the applicant.

The petition recites that the commission erred in holding that it is without jurisdiction to award an injunction restraining one public service corporation from crossing another, until the crossing company shall have given the notice required by section 2 of chapter 2 of the act concerning public service corporations, and this for the reason that section 19 confers upon the commission jurisdiction by adjunction or mandate over every act or omission in violation of the provisions of the public service corporation act, and the jurisdiction surely required by section 2 of chapter 2.

The appeal is another step in the prolonged fight between the two rival public service corporations of the Virginia Peninsula.

Is Sale of Cider Violation of Liquor Laws of the State.

Judge James Keith, president of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, yesterday granted an appeal in the case of J. L. Devine vs. the Commonwealth, from the Circuit Court of Mecklenburg county. Devine, a merchant of Chase City, was convicted of selling liquor without license. He contends that the alleged violation of the law consisted only in the sale of some cider, from drinking which it is alleged, a certain man became intoxicated. The appeal is asked on the ground that the sale of cider is not a violation of the liquor laws of the State.

QUESTION RISES IN SUPREME COURT

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The Finest Clothing It is Possible to Make

That is what we have to offer you—the finest in fabrics—the finest in finish—the finest in fit—no other Clothing here compares with our productions and very few Merchant Tailors make as good.

Gans-Rady Company

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